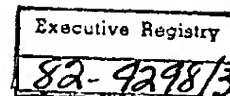




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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable William P. Clark  
Assistant to the President for  
National Security Affairs

SUBJECT: Implementation of NSDD-19 on Protection of  
Classified National Security Council and  
Intelligence Information

REFERENCE: White House Memorandum, dated 2 February 1982,  
same Subject

STAT 1. In response to reference, tasking agency heads to issue instructions for the protection of National Security Council (NSC) information, a Central Intelligence Agency Headquarters Regulation, [ ] (New Series), has been drafted. A copy of this regulation is attached. It specifies handling procedures and safeguards for NSC information in accordance with reference. It also addresses my responsibility to protect classified intelligence information within this Agency.

2. With the addition of this regulation, I believe CIA rules and procedures to be in conformity with the specified procedures. Existing regulations prohibit the disclosure of classified information to unauthorized persons and provide for investigation of and penalties for such disclosures.

3. Procedures for the protection of classified intelligence information outside the Central Intelligence Agency are being examined pursuant to reference, and any procedural or regulatory changes or additions found necessary will be the subject of separate correspondence.

/s/ William J. Casey

William J. Casey  
Director of Central Intelligence

Attachment

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## NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL INFORMATION

SYNOPSIS. This regulation establishes Agency policy and procedures that govern the safeguarding of designated National Security Council information. It also iterates existing Agency policy regarding protection of classified intelligence information.

a. GENERAL. The President, through his Assistant for National Security Affairs, has established policies to prevent the unauthorized disclosure of National Security Council information and of classified intelligence information. This regulation serves to implement said policies within the Central Intelligence Agency.

b. DEFINITION. National Security Council (NSC) information is classified information contained in:

(1) Any document prepared by or intended primarily for use by the NSC, its interagency groups as defined in NSDD-2, or its associated committees and groups, and;

(2) Deliberations of the NSC, its interagency groups as defined by NSDD-2, or its associated committees and groups.

c. ACCESS RESTRICTIONS AND CONDITIONS. The number of Agency personnel permitted access to NSC information shall be restricted to the absolute minimum consistent with effective operation of the NSC system. A numbered cover sheet will be

\* New Numbering Series

affixed to each copy of a document containing NSC information.

Each person reading the document will be required to sign the cover sheet, acknowledging the obligation to safeguard the information and to cooperate fully with any lawful investigation into unauthorized disclosure thereof.

d. INVESTIGATION. Within the Agency, investigation of unauthorized disclosure of NSC information may include, if deemed necessary by the Director of Central Intelligence, a polygraph examination conducted under provisions of

e. PROTECTION OF CLASSIFIED INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION.

All Agency employees have the obligation, under terms of the Secrecy Agreement executed upon entrance on duty, to safeguard classified intelligence information. Existing Agency regulations provide full particulars regarding this obligation, including provisions that establish controls on activities that present a threat of unauthorized disclosure, authorize investigation of unauthorized disclosure by all legal means, and set forth prescribed sanctions for the deliberate and unauthorized release of classified information. Related regulations with which each and every employee must be familiar are:

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| (1) |  | Secrecy Agreements      |
| (2) |  | Polygraph               |
| (3) |  | Reinvestigation Program |

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